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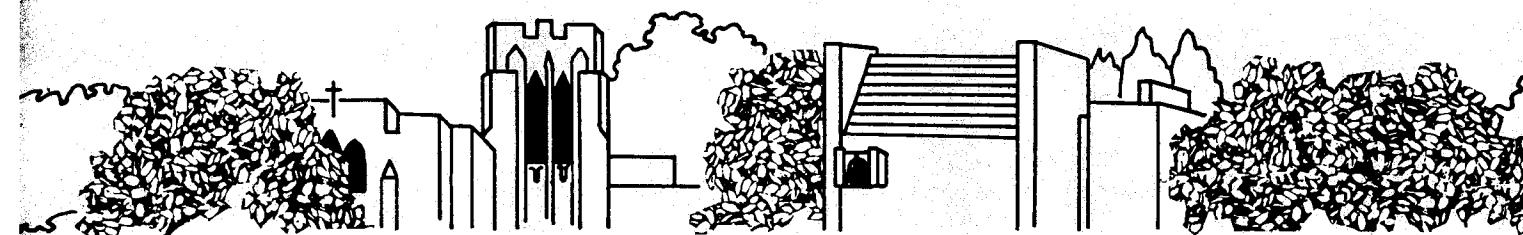
Luther Theological Seminary

and

THE 58th COMMENCEMENT

Northwestern Lutheran Theological Seminary

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA



SUNDAY, MAY 27, 1979 3:00 P.M.

CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH • MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

ORDER OF SERVICE

THE PRELUDE

Fantasy in G Major
Music based upon **Lobe den Herren**

J. S. Bach
Johann Gottfried Walther
Max Reger
Helmut Walcha

John Ferguson, Organist

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: #543 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

(The congregation shall rise when the procession enters the sanctuary.
There will be an organ interlude between the singing of each verse.)

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!
Let all who hear
Now to his temple draw near,
Joining in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is wondrously reigning
And, as on wings of an eagle, uplifting, sustaining.
Have you not seen
All that is needful has been
Sent by his gracious ordaining?

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper your work and defend you;
Surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend you.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do
If with his love he befriend you.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore him!
All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
Sound from his people again.
Gladly forever adore him!

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

The Rev. Martin E. Lehmann, Th.D.
Professor of Church History

ALL:

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
for in your wisdom you have formed us.

(Said responsively)

You feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

℟ We bless you and praise your Name forever.

You set free those who are bound.

℟ We bless you and praise your Name forever.

You raise up those whose courage falters.

℟ We bless you and praise your Name forever.

You provide for our every need.

℟ Accept our grateful praises.

You have called us from all peoples.

℟ We rejoice and bless your Name forever.

You bless your people with peace.

℟ We bless and praise your loving grace.

ALL:

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, King of the universe,
for you have given us everlasting life.

COVENANT ACT

LITURGIST:

Blessed are you, O God, you delivered us from sin and
death, you have brought us into the fellowship of
Christ by water and the Holy Spirit. We remember your
love and give voice to our unity:

ALL:

The Apostles' Creed, page 128

PRAYER OF THE DAY

LITURGIST:

The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE:

And also with you.

LITURGIST:

Let us pray.

ALL:

Lord God of all nations, you have revealed your will
to your people and promised your help to all creatures.
Help us to hear and to do what you command, that
darkness may be overcome by the power of your light;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

(The congregation may be seated)

THE ANTHEMS:

O Sing Ye to the Lord

Pitoni

Ah, Jesus Lord, Thy Love to Me

arr., David N. Johnson

Luther-Northwestern Faculty Choir

SCRIPTURE READING:

Acts 1:15-26

Dr. Lehmann

THE HYMN: #143 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

PRESENTATION OF HONORARY DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE

TO DR. HERBERT W. CHILSTROM The Rev. Lloyd Svendsbye, Th.D.

President

THE ADDRESS

The Rev. Herbert W. Chilstrom, Ed. D.

President, Minnesota Synod, Lutheran Church in America

THE HYMN: #315 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

THE SERVICE OF DEDICATION

(The congregation shall rise)

LEADER:

The great head of the Church gave gifts to all people
that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists,
some pastors and teachers,
for the equipment of the saints, for the work of the ministry,
for building up the body of Christ,
until we all attain to the unity of the faith
and the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature personhood,
to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

PEOPLE:

We are the church — all kinds and conditions of people, but
one body of Christ and individually members one of another.

LEADER:

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit;
there are varieties of service, but the same Lord;
there are varieties of working,
but it is the same God who inspires them all in every one.
To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for
the common good.
For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek,
between slave and free;
between male and female;
the same Lord is Lord of all
and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him.
So faith comes from what is heard,
and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ.

PEOPLE:

But how are people to call upon him in whom they have not
believed?
and how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?
and how are they to hear without a preacher?
and how can people preach unless they are sent?

LEADER:

In the presence of God we have met here, to acknowledge
your call to service in the Church of Christ;
to honor you for your perseverance, faithfulness, and
diligence in study;
and to present again to the Church all of you who aspire to
serve the Church in a variety of ministries.
The Jesus who said,
"I have come not to be served, but to serve,"
has defined the meaning of ministry.
Your schools send you forth into this ministry
with their love and blessing,
and pray that you may be adequate to your task.

CANDIDATES:

We commit ourselves to this ministry of service,
to faith in the Triune God which Jesus Christ has illumined for us.
We pray that all our works, through God's gracious help,
may be begun, continued, and ended, in Him,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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THE PRAYER

Dr. Lehmann

THE LORD'S PRAYER, page 130

THE BENEDICTION

THE RECESSIONAL HYMN: #495 Lead On, O King Eternal!

Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest Your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation Your grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper The sweet amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy The heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: We follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning Where'er your face appears.
Your cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might!

THE POSTLUDE

Finale, Symphony No. 1

Louis Vierne

Graduates, their families and friends, are invited
to an informal reception in the Parish Hall
following the service.

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